## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:	) Chapter 11
VOYAGER DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC., et al.,1	) Case No. 22-10943 (MEW)
Debtors.	) (Jointly Administered)

#### ORDER APPROVING THE JOINT STIPULATION

Upon the motion (the "Motion")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Voyager Debtors") for entry of an order (this "Order") approving the Joint Stipulation, annexed hereto as Exhibit 1 by and among (i) the Voyager Debtors, (ii) FTX Trading Ltd. and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession in the chapter 11 cases being jointly administered under the caption *In re FTX Trading Ltd.*, Case No. 22-11068 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.), including but not limited to Alameda Ventures Ltd., Alameda Research Ventures Ltd., West Realm Shires Inc. d/b/a FTX US, and Alameda Research Ltd. (collectively and with their affiliates the "FTX Debtors"),<sup>3</sup> and (iii) the respective Official Committees of Unsecured Creditors appointed in the chapter 11 cases of the Voyager Debtors and the FTX Debtors (the "UCCs"), respectively and each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties."; all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing* 

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Voyager Digital Holdings, Inc. (7687); Voyager Digital, Ltd. (7224); and Voyager Digital, LLC (8013). The location of the Debtors' principal place of business is 33 Irving Place, Suite 3060, New York, NY 10003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

A complete list of the FTX Debtors is available at https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/FTX/Home-DownloadPDF?id1=MTQ0NDMzMA%3D%3D&id2=0.

Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, entered February 1, 2012; and this Court having the power to enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Voyager Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Voyager Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.
- 2. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019, the Parties are authorized to enter into and perform under the Joint Stipulation, and perform, execute, and deliver all documents, and take all actions, necessary to immediately continue and fully implement the Joint Stipulation in accordance with the terms, conditions, and agreements set forth or provided for therein, all of which are approved. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event of any conflict between this Order and the Joint Stipulation, this Order shall control.
- 3. Within five days of entry of this Order, the FTX Debtors shall withdraw the Alameda Loan Facility Claims in their entirety, with prejudice to the FTX Debtors or any other

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party reasserting such claims. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding section 1 of the Joint

Stipulation, the Alameda Loan Facility Claims shall not be contributed to Voyager OpCo.

4. Alameda Ventures, Alameda Research Ventures and, if applicable, any other FTX

Debtor shall waive any and all recoveries to which the FTX Debtors may be entitled on account

of their equity interests in Voyager TopCo. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding section

2 of the Joint Stipulation, any equity interests in Voyager TopCo held by the FTX Debtors shall

not be contributed to Voyager OpCo.

Any claims of the Voyager Debtors (or their estates) or the FTX Debtors (or their 5.

estates) arising under or relating to the FTX APA shall be resolved by settlement or a final and

unappealable order of the Court.

6. The notice requirements under Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) are hereby waived.

7. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Order

are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

The Voyager Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the 8.

relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.

9. This Order shall bind the Parties, their estates and any successors or assigns,

including without limitation any trustee, liquidating trustee, or other estate representative.

10. The Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or

related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

Dated: New York, New York

April 6, 2023

/s/ Michael E. Wiles

THE HONORABLE MICHAEL E. WILES

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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## **EXHIBIT 1**

**The Joint Stipulation** 

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## JOINT STIPULATION AND AGREED ORDER BETWEEN THE VOYAGER DEBTORS, THE FTX DEBTORS, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICIAL COMMITTEES OF UNSECURED CREDITORS

This *Stipulation and Agreed Order* ("<u>Stipulation</u>") is being entered into between (i) the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Voyager Debtors</u>"), (ii) FTX Trading Ltd. and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession in the chapter 11 cases being jointly administered under the caption *In re FTX Trading Ltd.*, Case No. 22-11068 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.), including but not limited to Alameda Ventures Ltd., Alameda Research Ventures Ltd., West Realm Shires Inc. dba FTX US, and Alameda Research Ltd. (collectively with their affiliates the "<u>FTX Debtors</u>"),<sup>2</sup> and (iii) the respective Official Committees of Unsecured Creditors

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A complete list of the FTX Debtors is available at https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/FTX/Home-(Continued)

appointed in the chapter 11 cases of the Voyager Debtors and the FTX Debtors (the "<u>UCCs</u>"). The Voyager Debtors, FTX Debtors, and UCCs are each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties."

## **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2022, Voyager Digital Holdings, Inc., as borrower, and Voyager Digital, Ltd. ("Voyager TopCo"), as guarantor, entered into a Loan Agreement with Alameda Ventures, Ltd. ("Alameda Ventures," and the loan facility pursuant to the Loan Agreement, the "Alameda Loan Facility");

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2022 (the "Petition Date"), each Voyager Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "New York Bankruptcy Court");

WHEREAS, as of the Petition Date, Alameda Ventures was the beneficial owner of 7,723,995 shares of the common stock of Voyager TopCo and Alameda Research Ventures LLC ("Alameda Research Ventures") was the beneficial owner of 10,457,265 shares of the common stock of Voyager TopCo;

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2022, the Office of the United States Trustee appointed the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the Voyager Debtors' chapter 11 cases (the "Voyager UCC") [Docket No. 106];

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2022, Voyager Digital, LLC ("<u>Voyager OpCo</u>") and West Realm Shires Inc. d/b/a FTX US ("<u>West Realm Shires</u>") executed that certain Asset Purchase

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Agreement (including all exhibits and schedules, the "<u>Initial Asset Purchase Agreement</u>") [Docket No. 472-B];

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2022, Alameda Ventures filed Proofs of Claim Nos. 11206, 11209, and 11213 on the Voyager Debtors' claims register asserting certain claims against each of the Voyager Debtors for amounts it contended was due and owing under the Alameda Loan Facility (collectively, the "Alameda Loan Facility Claims");

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2022, the New York Bankruptcy Court entered the *Order (I)*Authorizing Entry Into the Asset Purchase Agreement and (II) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 581];

**WHEREAS**, on October 20, 2022, Voyager OpCo and West Realm Shires executed the first amendment to the Initial Asset Purchase Agreement (together with the Initial Asset Purchase Agreement, the "<u>FTX APA</u>") [Docket No. 582];

WHEREAS, on November 11 and 14, 2022,<sup>3</sup> the FTX Debtors, including Alameda Ventures and West Realm Shires, filed petitions for voluntary relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Delaware Bankruptcy Court"), which cases are jointly administered under the caption *In re FTX Trading Ltd.*, Case No. 22-11068 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del. Nov. 11, 2022) (the "FTX Bankruptcy");

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2022, the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware appointed the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the FTX Bankruptcy (the "<u>FTX</u> <u>UCC</u>") [FTX Bankruptcy, Docket No. 231];

The petition date applicable to the FTX Debtors is November 11, 2022 except for West Realm Shires, Inc.

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2023, West Realm Shires and the Voyager Debtors entered into that certain stipulation addressing the FTX APA (the "FTX APA Stipulation"), which was approved by the Delaware Bankruptcy Court on January 9, 2023 [FTX Bankruptcy, Docket No. 423] and by the New York Bankruptcy Court on January 10, 2023 [Docket No. 849];

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2023, the Voyager Debtors filed the *Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Voyager Digital Holdings, Inc. and its Debtor Affiliates Pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code* [Docket No. 852] (as modified, amended, or supplemented from time to time, the "Voyager Plan");

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2023, Alameda Research Ltd. ("Alameda Research") filed that certain *Complaint to Avoid and Recover Preferential Transfers* commencing the adversary proceeding captioned *In re FTX Trading Ltd.*, Adv. Pro. No. 23-50084 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del. Jan. 30, 2023) (the "FTX Adversary Proceeding"), asserting certain preference claims against Voyager OpCo and HTC Trading Inc., which may be amended in accordance with applicable law (with the Voyager Debtors and Voyager UCC reserving their rights to object to any effort to amend) (the "Preference Claims");

WHEREAS, the hearing to consider confirmation of the Voyager Plan is scheduled for March 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. prevailing Eastern Time (as may be continued from time to time, the "Voyager Confirmation Hearing"); and

WHEREAS, the Voyager Debtors, the FTX Debtors, and the UCCs have engaged in arm's length discussions regarding the FTX APA, the Alameda Loan Facility (including the asserted equitable subordination of the Alameda Loan Facility Claims), the Voyager Plan, and the FTX Adversary Proceeding.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among the undersigned counsel for the Parties, and the New York Bankruptcy Court adopts such joint stipulation and **ORDERS** as follows:

- 1. Alameda Loan Facility Claims. The FTX Debtors will, at the Voyager Debtors' election with the consent of the Voyager UCC, in their sole discretion, following written notice to counsel to the FTX Debtors and FTX UCC of such election, which written notice shall be given no later than the date that is 30 days after the Voyager Confirmation Hearing, (a) withdraw the Alameda Loan Facility Claims in their entirety, with prejudice to the FTX Debtors or any other party reasserting such claims, or (b) contribute the Alameda Loan Facility Claims to Voyager OpCo. In addition, the Voyager Debtors shall not assert any affirmative claims against the FTX Debtors relating to or arising out of the Alameda Loan Facility. For the avoidance of doubt, however, the Voyager Debtors and Voyager UCC retains the right to assert any and all allegations or underlying claims relating to or arising out of the Alameda Loan Facility as defenses to, or as a basis for equitable subordination of, any claims the FTX Debtors may have against the Voyager Debtors, including the Preference Claims.
- 2. **Equity claims.** Alameda Ventures, Alameda Research Ventures and, if applicable, any other FTX Debtor will, at the Voyager Debtors' election with the consent of the Voyager UCC, in their sole discretion, following written notice to counsel to the FTX Debtors and FTX UCC of such election, which written notice shall be given no later than the date that is 30 days after the Voyager Confirmation Hearing, (a) waive any and all recoveries to which the FTX Debtors may be entitled on account of their equity interests in Voyager TopCo, or (b) contribute their equity interests in Voyager TopCo to Voyager OpCo.

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3. Voyager Reserve and FTX Debtors' Affirmative Claims. Voyager OpCo shall reserve and hold the amount of \$445,000,000 in cash of U.S. Dollars (the "Reserved Amount") on account of the Preference Claims asserted by the FTX Debtors<sup>4</sup> and their estates against the Voyager Debtors in the FTX Adversary Proceeding (which Preference Claims shall be capped at the Reserved Amount), subject to all defenses and counterclaims thereto, until the final resolution of the Preference Claims by settlement or a final and unappealable order of the Delaware Bankruptcy Court, including any appeals therefrom. The FTX Debtors and their estates agree not to assert any affirmative claims against the Voyager Debtors, Voyager affiliates, or current or former Voyager employees, other than the Preference Claims, in any forum, except (a) as defenses to any claim brought by or on behalf of the Voyager Debtors or the Voyager UCC (or their successors and assigns) against them or (b) as described in paragraph 4 below.

4. FTX APA Claims. The \$5,000,000 deposit provided by the FTX Debtors under the FTX APA will continue be held by the Voyager Debtors in escrow and will not be used or distributed until ownership of that deposit is litigated in the New York Bankruptcy Court and decided by settlement or a final and unappealable order, including any appeals therefrom. In addition, the Voyager Debtors and Voyager UCC (subject to obtaining any necessary standing, with the rights of all other Parties with respect to standing expressly reserved) expressly preserve, and can affirmatively assert, any and all affirmative claims against the FTX Debtors relating to or arising out of the FTX APA (to which the FTX Debtors and their estates retain all defenses). The

For the avoidance of doubt, if the Preference Claims are determined to be valid, the Parties agree that the Voyager Debtors may assert a claim under Section 502(h) of the Bankruptcy Code against the FTX Debtors. The Parties further agree that, if the Preference Claims constitute allowed unsecured claims against any Voyager Debtor, the Voyager Debtors may satisfy their obligations under Section 502(b) of the Bankruptcy Code by making a distribution consistent with the Voyager Plan, as proposed as of the date hereof, on account of such allowed claims.

FTX Debtors and their estates also expressly reserve, and can affirmatively assert, any and all affirmative claims relating to or arising out of the FTX APA (to which the Voyager Debtors and their estates retain all defenses).

- 5. **Non-Binding Mediation.** The Parties agree to participate in good faith in non-binding mediation with respect to all claims among the Parties, including whether they should be allowed, their classification, and whether they should be equitably subordinated. The Parties shall engage in good faith to agree on a mediator within 7 days of the execution of this Stipulation and, if they cannot do so, the Voyager Debtors and Voyager UCC shall jointly propose two mediators and the FTX Debtors and FTX UCC shall jointly propose two mediators in camera to the New York Bankruptcy Court and the Parties shall jointly ask the New York Bankruptcy Court to select a mediator from among those four options. The Parties agree that all mediation fees shall be divided evenly between the FTX Debtors and the Voyager Debtors.
- 6. **Intervention.** The Voyager Debtors and the FTX Debtors agree not to oppose the FTX UCC's and the Voyager UCC's, respectively, intervention in all disputes between the Voyager Debtors and FTX Debtors, provided that the UCCs shall each take commercially reasonable efforts to avoid duplication of work being undertaken by the Voyager Debtors and the FTX Debtors.
- 7. **Discovery.** The Parties agree to postpone all formal or informal discovery requests against one another, each Party's affiliates, and each Party's current or former employees related to the FTX APA, the Alameda Loan Facility (including the asserted equitable subordination of the Alameda Loan Facility Claims), the Voyager Plan, and the FTX Adversary Proceeding. Any discovery requests that are outstanding as of the Parties' execution of this Stipulation shall be deemed withdrawn, without prejudice. The Parties agree that they will not serve formal or

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informal discovery requests until at least one full day of in-person mediation has occurred and that any such discovery requests shall be consistent with the litigation schedules agreed to in writing by the Parties, as applicable, in accordance with paragraph 9 hereof. The Parties will meet and confer in good faith with the assistance of the mediator concerning any limited mutual requests for information in connection with the mediation.

- 8. Agreements With Respect To Alleged Preference Claims. The Parties agree that the Preference Claims shall be adjudicated in the FTX Adversary Proceeding in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court. The Parties agree that the Preference Claims, to the extent determined in a final and unappealable order from the Delaware Bankruptcy Court, including any appeals therefrom, will be allowed by a joint stipulation between the Voyager Debtors and FTX Debtors in the New York Bankruptcy Court, provided that (a) if the Preference Claims are deemed to be valid by a final and unappealable order from the Delaware Bankruptcy Court, including any appeals therefrom, the administrative or general unsecured status of such claims will be decided in the New York Bankruptcy Court; and (b) each Party reserves all rights with respect to any claim of equitable subordination with respect to the Preference Claims. The Parties agree that the Voyager Debtors and the Voyager UCC, in their sole discretion, may elect to initiate proceedings (which shall not be duplicative of each other) in the New York Bankruptcy Court to classify and/or equitably subordinate the Preference Claims while the Preference Claims are being litigated in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court, provided that the Parties' rights with respect to the proper venue for litigation of any claim of equitable subordination are expressly preserved.
- 9. **Litigation Schedules.** In the event all issues relating to the Preference Claims are not resolved through the mediation described in paragraph 5 above, the Parties shall negotiate and in good faith agree to an expedited litigation schedule in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court with

respect to the Preference Claims and any counterclaims thereto, provided that such expedited litigation schedule shall allow for sufficient time for the Parties to conduct discovery post-mediation. Should the Voyager Debtors or Voyager UCC, in their sole discretion, elect to initiate proceedings in the New York Bankruptcy Court to classify and/or equitably subordinate the Preference Claims while the Preference Claims are being litigated in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court, the Parties shall negotiate and in good faith agree to an expedited litigation schedule for the litigation of such matters, provided that such expedited litigation schedule shall allow for sufficient time for the Parties to conduct discovery post-mediation.

- 10. **Voyager Plan.** The FTX Debtors agree not to object to confirmation of the Voyager Plan so long as it is consistent in all applicable respects with this Stipulation.
- 11. **Reservation of Rights.** Except as otherwise set forth in this Stipulation, each Party reserves any and all rights, claims, and defenses against the other Party with respect to the subject matters of this Stipulation.
- 12. **Cooperation.** Each Party shall cooperate with each other Party and take such actions as are reasonably necessary to obtain approval of this Stipulation by the New York Bankruptcy Court and the Delaware Bankruptcy Court and entry of approval orders, and to effectuate their terms.
- 13. **Effectiveness.** This Stipulation shall become effective upon entry of an order of the New York Bankruptcy Court and the Delaware Bankruptcy Court.

#### **AGREED BY**:

February 22, 2023

/s/ Joshua A. Sussberg

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